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THIRTY-ONE ALUMNI RETURN FOR BASKETBALL AND HOCKEY GAMES

Thirty-one alumni returned to school on Saturday, February 1, to participate in or witness the graduate games in hockey and basketball with the Governor Dummer varsity.

The hockey game was played in the afternoon and the basketball in the evening, and such robust graduates as Russell Simons and John Koslowski made an impressive appearance in both contests, in fact, Koslowski shared high scoring honors in both.

The basketball game was followed by a reception in the old Mansion House kitchen and a number of the graduates remained at school over night.

Those returning were as follows: from the class of 1934, Robert Hale and Richard Sprague; from the class of 1937, Donald Gibbs and Randolph Barrett; from the class of 1938, Leonard Poor, John Ross, Simons, Michael Lawler, Henry Cleaveland, and Richard Merrill; from the class of 1939, Edward Noyes, Samuel Kitchell, Charles Hewitt, Adrian Hasse, Koslowski, Henry Payson, and Joseph Pearson; and from the class of 1940, Charles McDowell, Theodore Earnshaw, Andrew Bailey, Edward Riley, Edward Sheffield, John Newman, John Dyer, James Dodge, Kurt Hoffman, Donald Mortimer, Robert Nutter, Willard Little, Leonard Zins, and Theodore Munro.

ENGLISH EXCHANGE STUDENT FILLS NUMEROUS SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

William Davison, the English exchange student who came to the Academy in October, has been in great demand to speak regarding his experiences in England and his views on the attitude of the English under wartime conditions. Since his arrival he has filled ten speaking engagements and has five more scheduled.

Two of his speeches were given here at school, the rest being delivered to outside organizations. On November 19 he addressed a supper meeting of the Newburyport Kiwanis Club and on December 6, 7, and 8 he attended

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GLEE CLUB ANNOUNCES SCHEDULE; JOHNDROE ELECTED PRESIDENT

Three concerts have been scheduled to be given by the Academy Glee Club during the Winter Term. The first will be at Rogers Hall School for Girls in Lowell on Friday evening, February 21.

The Adelpic Society of the All Saints Church of Belmont is sponsoring the second concert, which will be held in the Belmont High School Auditorium on Friday evening, February 28. Nicholas Lampes of the Class of 1940, who was the tenor soloist for the Club last year, will be the guest soloist at this concert.

On Saturday evening, March 8, a joint concert will be given with Abbot Academy in Andover, a school for girls.

Again this year the Meistersingers, a group chosen from the Club, have been trained by Mr. Sager in a number of entertaining songs and will be a feature of the program. Maurice Johnson, John Kangis, Robert Harris, William Nutter, Richard Williamson, Harry Barr, William Davison, Gordon Johndroe, Thurber Holt, Robert Covert, and Joseph Brady are the boys from the Club singing in this group.

Mr. Sager has arranged the following program for the concerts.

Now Let Every Tongue Adore Thee.....*Bach*
Oh Lord Most Holy.....*Frank*
Adoramus Te.....*Palestrina*
Go Down Moses.....*Negro Spiritual*
Oh Peaceful Night.....*Edward German*
Pilgrims' Chorus from "Tannhauser"..*Wagner*
Mosquitoes *Bliss*
Casey Jones.....*arranged by Lawton*
Russian Cossack Marching Song
Listen to the Lambs.....*Dett*

Mr. Sager, director of the Glee Club, recently announced to the school that S. Gordon Johndroe of Concord had been elected president of the Club.

Johndroe has been singing in the organization for three years. He is a baritone and this year will do solo singing in several of the numbers as well as being in the special Meistersinger group.

Vespers

December 15: The Reverend Vaughan T. Dabney, Dean of the Andover-Newton Theological School, Newton Center.

January 12: The Reverend Leslie T. Pennington of the First Church Unitarian, Brookline.

January 19: The Reverend Everett C. Herrick, Head of the Andover-Newton Theological School, Newton Center.

January 26: The Reverend H. Sumner Mitchell of the First Unitarian Church, Sanford, Maine.

February 2: Dr. John Nichol Mark of the First Parish Unitarian in Arlington.

Christianity, explained Dr. Dabney, is of tremendous value to man in times of strife and unrest in the world, for it develops a mood of expectancy for better things to come. It also places great responsibility on man as it gives him the free choice to plan his life for better or for worse, yet at the same time it expects him to do his very best for the good.

Christianity takes a realistic view of life, teaching that the modern world rewards the man of high expectations and ambitions and providing him with an incentive to do his utmost to achieve the highest standard possible.

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Dr. Pennington declared that the present situation in the world has resulted from the fact that word and action have not been one. If the world is to make any forward progress, deeds must not be divorced from thoughts and words. Society must act according to its ideals and convictions and must not allow them to become lost by stagnation of effort.

That is particularly important, he said, in the case of democracies. A democracy must be a brotherhood, otherwise it is a lie, and silent creative devotion to this ideal can accomplish just as much as spectacular, heroic deeds. Our first line of defense is to bring justice and the abundant life to our own people, that should be our primary objective for the present.

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The most universal utterance, said Dr. Herrick, is the Lord's Prayer, one of the most important lines of which is "Thy will be done". This line, he pointed out, is not a request but the statement of a fact that is a

surety. Our own wills have been given to us to keep us in harmony with God's and thus follow his way more easily.

God's will is stern and yet merciful, we should not attempt to pit our will against God's, for it will only lead to the disaster of our lives and character.

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Loafers in society are the people who grumble most and who are most sceptical about life, pointed out Dr. Mitchell. The ambitious and the hard workers will fight to overcome all obstacles to get what they desire, and in this constant struggle they find the joy of life.

The objectives towards which all should work and fight now is the maintenance of a free life for each individual human being.

Life is the greatest game of all, he said, for one must work and fight for what one wants, and truth must be carried into the world, it will not go there alone.

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Dr. Mark pictured for us a figurative compass by which we should guide our lives. The four points of the compass are clear thinking, a sincere love of our fellow men, pure action resulting from honest motives, and a secure trust in God.

Clear thinking is particularly important today, stated Dr. Mark. We are taught too much to absorb the thoughts of others rather than to think for ourselves, thereby losing our power to reason things through to their logical conclusion. If we are to remain as the members of a democratic community, we must train ourselves to think clearly.

As his final point, Dr. Mark said that in order to get through life in the best fashion, we must receive guidance from a higher power in which we have implicit trust. That is achieved by participation in religion and by following the ways of God.

HONOR ROLL FOR DECEMBER, 1940

First Honors

Lloyd Seligman
*John Skeele
James Monroe
*Harold Knapp
*Cushing Strout
*Edward Whitley
Paul Morgan
William Davison

Second Honors

*Lester Ackerman
*Robert Urie
Arthur Fiorini
Henry Skeele
William Monroe
William Hill
Andrew Little
Michael Terry

* Indicates name has been on all Honor Rolls this year.

SEVERAL IMPROVEMENTS MADE IN PHYSICAL EQUIPMENT OF ACADEMY

Recently there have been a number of improvements of some importance made in the equipment around the school. During the Christmas Vacation a new set of lights was installed in the gymnasium for use in study halls. The lights are extremely powerful, each individual bulb in the ten lamps suspended from the ceiling carrying 750 watts. The lights are of the type which are used in the large laboratories and lecture halls at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and are a new development in indoor illumination.

Also during the Vacation the floor of the gymnasium was reconditioned in preparation for the basketball season. The floor was sanded and cleaned and then was completely resurfaced.

The third improvement was the construction of a new varsity hockey rink on the pond below Parsons Schoolhouse. The rink is ten feet longer and wider than the one previously used on Morse Field, being 210 feet long by 60 feet wide.

More Briefly

The book "Jungle Giants" was recently presented to the school library by Mrs. Bent, mother of Brent Kuhnle. The book was given in memory of the author, Newell Bent, Jr. Mrs. Bent also gave the library \$25 for the purchase of new books.

Milton Academy gave to the library a copy of a book on the record of Milton graduates and students in the World War. The book was written by the Reverend Markham Stackpole, father of Mr. Stephen Stackpole, who was formerly a member of the faculty here.

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The evening school meeting on Saturday, January 18, was featured by a talk given by Ulysses Lupien, former Harvard baseball captain. Lupien is now playing professional baseball and he was a member of the Red Sox during the latter part of the last season. He entertained the school by relating some of his experiences as a rookie in the big leagues and his contacts with the big league stars.



Photograph by George Leach

EXTERIOR OF NEW BUILDING NEARS COMPLETION

Photograph shows well the progress of the construction since the picture in the December Archon. The clapboards have been put on, the entrance door vestibule built, and the roof and slate shingling nearly completed.

BOYS UNDERTAKE MANY PROJECTS IN ACADEMY'S MACHINE SHOP

In the Machine Shop this year many ambitious projects are being undertaken by the boys who work there regularly. One of the most interesting of these projects is the overhauling being done on a tractor which was given to the shop by Mr. Frank Hale.

The machine was in a state of extreme dilapidation, as it had not been used for a number of years. It is now in the process of being completely taken down and overhauled, with new parts being made in the shop to replace the old. The work is being done principally by John Miller, Bruce King, John Whitney, Frank Hale, Jr., and Neal Cox. When the machine has been put back into condition, it will be given to the school for use around the grounds in heavy work.

Another project in a state of manufacture is an electric scoreboard for use in the gymnasium during basketball games. The instrument consists of two large wooden discs whose movements are governed by an electromagnet. The scoreboard may be operated from any point in the gymnasium by merely pushing a series of buttons on a portable control box, which will cause the correct score to appear.

A variety of projects are also being undertaken by individual boys. Vaughan Pitman is making an anemometer for the measuring of wind velocity; John Hastings is building a small steam engine of his own design; Malcolm Burr is constructing an air compressor for an orchard sprayer; and John Whitney is making a V block for a drill press.

Robert Tannebring has nearly completed a triangular straight edge for marking lines on cylindrical surfaces, while Gordon Lambert is designing new grillwork for the basement windows in Pierce Hall, and William Hill is building a four cylinder, V-type steam engine. Gordon Fisher and Richard Rowe have constructed a power hack-saw.

MORE BRIEFLY

On Saturday afternoon, January 25, the whole school turned out to shovel the snow from the hockey rink, following the rather heavy storm on the previous night. Mr. Hill acted as the foreman in typical W.P.A. style, although he did not even bother to hold a shovel. Boys and masters alike worked industriously and the job was completed in a little over two hours. Sunday was given over to soothing stiff muscles.

NEW FUME HOOD PURCHASED FOR CHEMISTRY-PHYSICS LABORATORY

The chemistry and physics laboratory in the basement of Parsons Schoolhouse was renovated during the Christmas Vacation. When the Schoolhouse fire occurred a year ago January, the laboratory was badly damaged. However, as the facilities of the new laboratory at the Newburyport High School were offered to our science students, there was no immediate need for the repairing of

A start on the renovation was made during the summer holidays when three of the day students from Newburyport, Harold Knapp, Henry Skeele, and Peter Hill, spent a great part of the vacation working under the direction of Mr. Kirk sorting, cleaning, and repairing equipment and chemical materials.

During the Christmas Vacation the laboratory was painted and new shelves were added, and within a short time a fume hood which was recently purchased by the school will be installed.

DAVISON SPEECHES

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a conference of older boys sponsored by the Y. M. C. A. organizations of New York State and Massachusetts in Pittsfield, where he spoke to an audience of 700 boys. During Christmas Vacation he talked to a Y. M. C. A. group in Springfield on December 21.

For the Winter Term he has given five talks, with five more to be delivered. On January 8 he attended a meeting of the Oldtown Men's Club, and on January 15 he gave two talks in Boston. The first, in the afternoon, was made before an audience of 300 in Ford Hall at a meeting of the Massachusetts Episcopal Diocese. In the evening an assembly of 200 young people heard his views in the Church of St. Paul's. On January 16 he visited the Amesbury Rotary Club and on January 21, the Newburyport Rotary Club.

On February 5 he spoke to a young Episcopal group in Newburyport, and on February 14 he will speak at a students' assembly at the Amesbury High School and on the 20th to the Portsmouth Rotary Club. On the morning of February 23 he has been invited to a meeting of the Y. M. C. A. in Melrose and in the afternoon to a meeting of the same organization in Brockton. The pupils of Woburn High School will hear him on February 28 at a special school assembly.

GHOST, SPECTRES, AND APPARITIONS

By HAROLD M. CURTISS, JR.

If, some evening, you should suddenly come upon a ghostly shape gliding softly across the Mansion House lawn or if you should spy shadowy figures riding past Degen House along the old Post Road, do not be alarmed. You will not be the first to have such an experience. Some sunny afternoon you may even meet the Devil, himself, for he has visited Byfield Parish before. Merely keep out of his way and watch the fun. The ghosts and apparitions of Byfield are not to be regarded as objects of terror, rather we should welcome them, feeling fortunate that our forefathers loved this locality enough to wish to return occasionally and reenact scenes from their earthly lives.

In this old New England community we live close to the past. Old traditions and customs have a strong hold upon us. The settlers of this locality were people with strong wills and deep-seated convictions, and it is not to be expected that even in death they should lose interest in the town which they helped to establish. Nor should we of this generation question the authenticity of the stories connected with their reappearances. It is a matter which transcends scientific research and is beyond the bounds of factual investigation. The stories must be taken and handed down from generation to generation for what they are worth; the proof must lie with those fortunate enough to be witnesses to the shadowy scenes.

The most famous of all the ghosts or apparitions of this locality is the Byfield Spectre. It made its appearance on Sunday afternoon, April 27, 1778, and was seen by a large number of the natives. Several eyewitness accounts of the event have been preserved and are incorporated in Mr. John L. Ewell's *Story of Byfield*. The spectre, as described by Deacon Coleman and Deacon Chute, two stalwart worthies of the Byfield Parish Church, and whose opinion, therefore, must be considered unimpeachable, was "a giant certainly not less and probably more than twenty feet tall". It was clothed in a long robe of black material, which, unlike cloth, did not move with the motion of the figure, but remained perfectly still and undisturbed. The dreadful giant suddenly appeared by the Mansion House at about 2 o'clock on this beautiful, sunny Sunday afternoon. It was first seen

by a number of Academy boys who fled in abject terror. The apparition strode from the Academy grounds towards the Byfield Parish Church, stalking at a "good horse's pace" through the air about two or three feet above the ground. As it went along, the spectre glided through walls and fences without disturbing them, and constantly screamed in terrifying fashion.

Proceeding towards the church, the figure met a Mr. Within who was driving a herd of cows towards his barn. When the animals beheld the phantom, they roared and bellowed, some ran off in all directions, while others dropped dead of fright.

Upon its arrival at the Byfield Parish Church the spectre circled the building twice, screaming more than ever, and then rushed with increased speed to the top of Hunslow Hill where it turned to face the parish, flung out its arms, and with one final, terrific, ear-shattering cry vanished into thin air.

The church people of the parish were naturally much disturbed by this unusual incident. The Reverend Dr. Parsons, pastor of the Parish Church, proclaimed that it was the Devil taking a walk. Deacon Coleman agreed that it was the Devil all right, but thought that he was doing a little more than merely taking a Sunday stroll. In fact he laid the blame right at the door of the good Doctor, stating that the Devil had appeared as an omen of divine displeasure against Dr. Parsons because he kept slaves. Whether Dr. Parsons released his slaves as a result is not recorded.

The real center of the ghostly traditions of the community is the Mansion House and its immediate surroundings. Local history has it that the front lawn of the Governor's house was once the site of a bitter duel between a French officer and an English officer of his Majesty's forces. After a prolonged battle with swords the Frenchman was victorious, and the English soldier succumbed near the front door of the Mansion House as the result of his wounds. According to eyewitnesses the duel is reenacted on moonlight August evenings just as it occurred in pre-Revolutionary days. All the formalities and participants are there, and the now peaceful lawn

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KEEPING UP WITH THE TIMES

A democracy is that form of government in which the supreme power rests with the people. The people thereby assume tremendous responsibilities, both in educating themselves sufficiently to form correct judgments and in keeping abreast with the policies and ideals of the government of which they are a part. In our day we have had the misfortune to see former democratic governments fall under the heel of single men merely because the people failed to live up to their responsibilities. If individuals in a free land refuse to take an active part in their own governing, there is only one alternative, dictatorship.

Democracy expects much of its citizenry, particularly that portion in the process of education. Even though a person may be too young to vote, democracy expects him to follow closely what his government is doing, especially in such periods as today when we are in the midst of a world crisis.

The average boy in a school such as ours is apt to lead too self-satisfied and contented a life. His thoughts and ideas are confined to his particular little portion of life, he is likely to ignore the crash of tremendous events about him. The average boy may be more interested in the sport pages and comics of the morning newspaper than the details of the lend-lease bill; he had rather talk about his pleasures or pains than discuss the implications of the government's policy of all-out aid to Britain. And yet it is each boy's responsibility as the member of a democratic state

to take the more serious course and to study and learn the details of such important subjects, subjects which will certainly have a lasting effect upon his whole future. Each and every boy should realize that sooner or later he will be exercising his prerogative as a voter, as an actual governing member of his nation. To vote with a complete lack of knowledge of the issues of the day is the first step towards the dissolution of the democracy of which he is an integral part. It is not enough for a boy to wait until he reaches voting age before gaining an intimate knowledge of events. As soon as he reaches a sufficiently mature stage in his life, he should begin to prepare himself for the part which he is destined to play in his own government.

Here at school there are many steps which a boy should take to achieve this essential preparation. He should seize every opportunity to discuss current events with his masters, he should be eager to grasp the background material presented in his history courses, he should set aside each day a period of time to read thoroughly the articles on international affairs in the newspapers. He should further avail himself of material in the library bearing on the present situation, and he should talk over the present crisis with other boys in order to formulate and receive ideas arrived at by his own thinking processes.

It is indeed imperative that the average boy in school abandon his phlegmatic, passive attitude. He must get outside of himself and forget his own infinitesimal life. He must prepare to take on the responsibilities which a democracy thrusts upon him. If he does not, he is merely a drone in society, merely the instrument to be employed by smarter men for their own advancement.

D. T. G.

BENJAMIN WEEDEN STEWART

Benjamin Weeden Stewart of the Class of 1936 died very suddenly on January 12, 1941. He was only recently married in November to Miss Lydia Emily Barber, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Barber of Brattleboro, Vermont. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart had made their home in Springfield, Vermont.

Stewart was active in his class here. He was a member of the football and basketball squads and on the varsity tennis team. He was also a member of the Glee Club and of the ARCHON board.

CAMERA CLUB UNDERTAKES ACTIVE PROGRAM; ELECTS NEW PRESIDENT

John Miller has been elected President of the Camera Club for this year. Richard Barrows is the Secretary-Treasurer, and Mr. Hawkes is once again serving as the faculty adviser.

The program of the Club has been an ambitious one. During the fall Miller gave two travelogues, illustrating them by means of movies and slides which he had taken. Several illustrated lectures prepared by the Eastman Kodak Company and dealing with various aspects of photography were presented by Mr. Hawkes.

The work of the Camera Club has been greatly aided by the recent renovation of the dark room in the basement of Parsons Schoolhouse. New shelves, lockers, and benches have been put in place, and a new enlarger purchased by the Club has been added to the equipment.

During the remainder of the winter and in the spring the Club plans to make several field trips to points of interest around the countryside so that the boys may have real

subject matter on which to practice their picture taking. Two photographic exhibitions of the work done by the boys in the Club are planned. One will come sometime during the spring and the other will be the annual exhibit at Commencement.

STUDENTS MAKE TWO SKI TRIPS TO GUILFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Since the Christmas Vacation two ski trips have been run on Sunday to Guilford, New Hampshire. The boys are taken to the Belknap Mountain Recreation Park where there are a variety of trails and a ski tow.

On Sunday, January 12, 10 boys went with Mr. Wickenden and Mr. Andrews and on Sunday, February 2, 23 boys made the trip by bus with Mr. Andrews and Mr. Stott. On both occasions the conditions at Guilford were excellent, and the boys were able to get their fill of the highly-touted and much-talked about sport, for the trips left the school at seven in the morning and did not return until eight in the evening.

Several more trips are planned for other Sundays during the term.



Photograph by Mr. Hawkes

THE SCHOOL TURNS OUT ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON TO REMOVE THE SNOW FROM THE HOCKEY RINK AFTER A HEAVY FALL

Alumni Notes

1935: William Williamson recently passed the rigid examinations necessary to become a Flying Cadet in the Army Air Force. He will take his flight training at Kelley Field in Texas. His younger brother, Joseph, of the Class of 1936, has enlisted as a private in the 240th Coast Artillery, Fort Williams, Portland Harbor.

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1936: Parker Kitchell has entered the Rhode Island School of Design where he is doing special duty in the Department of Graphic Arts. Kitchell graduated from Amherst last June. In college he was President of the Alpha Delta Phi fraternity, stage manager of the Masquers, Art Editor of the "Touchstone," and a member of the Varsity swimming team.

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1937: Arthur Ross was recently married to Miss Loretta Jane Rabbitt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Russell Rabbitt of South Hanover. Ross has received his commercial pilot's license in aviation and has become an instructor in the Royal Air Force in Canada. He is stationed at Three Rivers in the Province of Quebec, and he is required to spend at least seven hours each day in the air.

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1937: William Sheffield has been named President of the Owl and Ring, the senior honorary society at Brown University.

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1938: Ted Lacey has been chosen varsity football manager for next year at Amherst.

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1938: Alan Bullwinkle, former English Exchange student, was called on September 12 to join the King's Shropshire Light Infantry, one of England's crack country regiments. His London home address is 50 Shepherd's Market, Mayfair, London, W. 1. He was recently engaged to Miss Margaret Bridge of Oxford, England.

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1940: Kurt Hoffman is on the Dean's List at Princeton University.

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1940: Two of last year's graduates have been making a notable record at the University of Maine. Alfred Hutchinson has recently been elected President of the Freshman Class and his roommate, Robert Nutter, was elected captain of the Freshman football team.

BYFIELD GHOSTS

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becomes once again the scene of violence and bloodshed.

The English officer who was killed also occasionally appears alone on the lawn, and his visits are not restricted to merely one month but may take place at any time of year. He is usually seen walking slowly across the lawn from Commons towards the Milestone. He is in full uniform with a beautifully embroidered cloak hanging from his shoulders. By his side swings a long sword and on his feet are high, polished boots. Underneath his braided, cocked hat is a powdered wig with a short queue. As he walks, he appears to be in deep meditation and he is not frightened into disappearance by a beholder of his nocturnal stroll. It is said that one brave native who happened upon him determined to accost him, but the ghost merely quickened its pace in order to keep six feet between itself and the intruder. When it reached the proximity of the Milestone, it vanished from sight, for it never proceeds farther than that point.

A less authenticated story is that the apparition of the wounded soldier becomes visible near the front door of the Mansion House, where the death scene once more comes to life.

The old Post Road which passes by Degen House has in past times borne spectral traffic. One of the apparitions has strong evidence in its favor, and with it goes an interesting story.

At the time of the persecution of the witches in Salem, the religious fanaticism connected with that dark episode in New England history spread over this entire countryside. In Ipswich a young girl was accused of practicing witchcraft and was seized and imprisoned. The girl had formerly worked on a farm in Byfield and during that time had become betrothed to a young man of the parish. The news of her seizure soon came to the ears of her swain, and he learned that she was held a prisoner pending trial in the attic of an Ipswich house. On the second night after her arrest the Byfield boy rode to the house and signaled to the girl, who managed to climb through a small dormer window and slide down the long sloping roof which came nearly to the ground. The boy threw his cloak about her shoulders, assisted her up behind him on the horse, and off they rode into the night. The pair cut across to the

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WINTER SPORTS



Photograph by George Leach

ACADEMY STUDENTS FIND GOOD SKIING ON THE GOLF COURSE ACROSS THE
TURNPIKE FROM THE SCHOOL

ONE POINT MARGIN BRINGS WIN TO BASKETEERS IN FIRST GAME

The Governor Dummer basketball team opened its season on the Lang Gymnasium floor on January 11 in thrilling fashion as it nipped Beverly High School 32 to 31.

The close of the game was unusually spectacular as Beverly, trailing by one point, was awarded a foul shot just as the final whistle blew. The shot, however, was missed to give the Governors the victory.

In the first period the Red and White outclassed their opponents as they built up an apparently safe 11 to 4 lead. Bill Nutter scored six of these points by dropping in three beautiful set shots from the side. In the second period Beverly began to score and whittled the lead down to 16 to 13 at the half. Continuing in the second half their nip and tuck battle, the two fives were close all the way, the Governors leading 23 to 21.

With both teams pressing to score, the Governors spurted ahead 29 to 23, but they were unable to hold the lead.

LAST MINUTE RALLY DEFEATS GOVERNORS IN FIRST ENCOUNTER

In a last desperate drive in the late minutes of the third period, Browne and Nichols scored two goals to down the Governors' sextet 2 to 1 in their opening game. The game was played in Cambridge on January 11.

The Governors opened the scoring in the first period when Captain Dick Wyman took a pass from Tom Collins' stick and slapped the rubber past the home team's net-minder.

A one goal margin, however, did not prove sufficient to salt away the tilt. Neal O'Hara, flashy Browne and Nichols player, broke through the hitherto impregnable Governors' defense and knotted the count with but three minutes remaining in the third period. Only one minute elapsed before he repeated the process with some fine skating and superb stick-handling to win the game.

Considering the fact that the team had just returned from vacation, the result was not too disappointing.

LAST MINUTE ALUMNI RALLY FAILS TO CATCH GOVERNORS' HOOP TEAM

A spirited rally on the part of the Alumni just failed to catch the Governor Dummer varsity basketball quintet as the undergraduates won out 36 to 32 in a very exciting game in the Lang Gymnasium on February 1.

The Alumni had two strong fives, the first composed of Don Mortimer, Mike Lawler, Johnny Koslowski, Bob Nutter, and Russ Simons, the second having Bud Hasse, Hank Cleaveland, Charlie Hewitt, Ed Riley, and Bob Hale. The first group opened the game and by virtue of some fine shooting on the part of Koslowski, went into a 10 to 7 lead at the end of the first period.

As the game entered the final quarter the Red and White were ahead 33 to 19. Shortly after the start of the last stanza and with the Alumni 11 points behind, the first Alumni team put on a beautiful display of basketball. They brought the score to 34 to 32, but a basket on the part of the Governors near the final whistle put the victory within reach despite the frantic shooting of the graduates.

GOVERNORS' SEXTET FALLS BEFORE EXETER JUNIOR VARSITY 5 TO 1

The hockey team was caught on a bad day by the Exeter Jayvees and was trounced to the tune of 5 to 1 on the new Parsons rink on January 15.

With the team completely lacking in offensive strength and with the defense well below par, the Governors were no match for their opponents. In the first period the teams were fairly even and Exeter was able to put only one goal through net-minder Dave Goodhart. This goal was a long shot from out in front which nicked an upper corner.

In the second period the story was quite different. As the Governors were held scoreless, Exeter poured through the Red and White defense to secure four goals and assure themselves of the victory.

SECOND VARSITY HOCKEY TEAM GAINS TIE IN INITIAL CONTEST

The Second Varsity hockey team opened their season by tying a faster and more experienced Rowley A. C. sextet 3 to 3 on the Morse Field rink on January 24.

ALUMNI SEXTET TROUNCES HOCKEY TEAM BY REAL SHOW OF POWER

With the best Alumni team that has ever faced the Governor Dummer varsity, the graduates taught the undergraduates a lesson by defeating them 8 to 3 on the Parsons Rink, February 1.

Early in the first period Andy Bailey, star winger on last year's varsity, notched the first goal. Captain Dick Wyman then scored for the Governors, but the Alumni went ahead on Johnny Koslowski's shot.

In the second period the Alumni scored four more goals, Koslowski netting two, Bailey, one, and Ted Munro, last year's Red and White captain, sinking the fourth. Guy Nichols on a pass from Wyman and Tom Collins made the second point for the undergraduates.

Outstanding for the Alumni were, of course, Bailey and Koslowski with three goals apiece, but the real play-maker was John Ross of the Middlebury College varsity who drew four assists. Other Alumni players were Henry Payson, Willard Little, Dick Sprague, Lennie Zins, Ed Noyes, and Pete Pearson.

ABBOTT, WYMAN, AND ACKERMAN WILL LEAD WINTER SPORT TEAMS

The members of the varsity basketball, hockey, and wrestling squads have recently chosen their captains for the season.

Leading the hoop team is William C. Abbott, Jr., of Salem. He is a player with a tremendous amount of spirit and is noted particularly for his fine shooting and following up around the basket.

Richard M. Wyman of Beach Bluff is the hockey captain. Wyman last winter was a regular on the second line of the varsity and showed his ability as an excellent play-maker. This year he is centering the first line and is the team's high scorer.

Lester R. Ackerman of New York City will lead the wrestling team. Ackerman was an outstanding member of the squad last season and is now fighting in the 155 lb. class.

"B" HOCKEY SEXTET LOSES

The Governor Dummer "B" hockey squad lost their first game of the season to Brooks School 2 to 1 at North Andover on January 27.

TWO THIRD PERIOD GOALS GIVE BELMONT HILL HOCKEY VICTORY

Belmont Hill won a close 2 to 0 decision over the Governor Dummer hockey team at the Parsons Rink on January 24. The Governors were handicapped after the first three minutes of the game by the loss of Captain Dick Wyman, who was forced to retire due to an injury.

At the beginning of the third period Belmont Hill put on a series of power rushes which netted two goals within four minutes, both on screened shots from just inside the blue line. Belmont then settled back for the remainder of the period and easily kept the Governors' offensive from penetrating.

FORTY-ONE BOYS ENGAGED IN INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Forty-one boys are taking part in the basketball league this winter under the direction of Mr. Stone and Mr. Curtiss. The league for the second year is divided into six teams which will play a round-robin tournament until the finals just before Spring Vacation.

The six captains, who take almost full responsibility for their team, are as follows: captain of the Jesters, Dick Rowe; of the

Friars, Lee Whittles; of the Monks, Dick Williamson; of the Hermits, Randy Morris; of the Knights, Jack Miller; and of the Yeoman, Lou Harrower.

In the four games played up to the present writing, the teams for the most part seem to be very evenly matched, therefore the battle for the championship should be tooth-and-nail all season. A triple tie for first place exists with the Jesters, Knights, and Yeoman deadlocked by a record of three wins and one loss.

Leading the scorers in the league is Ernie Bowler of the Yeoman. Bowler has earned 35 points for his team, an average of almost 9 points a game.

FAST BREAKING MILTON QUINTET OUTSCORES GOVERNORS' HOOP TEAM

A strong Milton quintet defeated the Governors at Milton on January 22 by a score of 32 to 18. The Governors were totally incapable of coping with the fast-breaking home team, which constantly worked the ball inside the Red and White defense for easy set shots.

The team looked very slow on Milton's large court and it could not get its defense functioning properly.



Photograph by George Leach
DAVE BOWKER AND ART WELLMAN PRACTICE A SHOT ON GOALIE DAVE GOODHART
IN WARM-UP BEFORE THE THAYER GAME

WRESTLING TEAM TIES MILTON IN UNOFFICIAL OPENING MEET

The wrestling team opened its season on January 22 at Milton by tying Milton Academy 17½ to 17½ in an unofficial meet.

The feature of the meet was Bob Pickett's spectacular victory in the unlimited class over Milton's first string heavy-weight. Before his opponent had hardly drawn a deep breath, Pickett had him pinned in 53 seconds to tie up the match. Other decisions were earned by Dick Meriam in the 135 pound class and Les Ackerman, who pinned his man in five minutes in the 155 pound class. Harold Knapp at 145 pounds and Pike Noyes at 155 pounds gained draws. Losses were sustained by Grove Potter, who weighed in at 128 pounds, and Feaster Newton and Norton Cushman wrestling above their class at 165 pounds.

GOVERNOR DUMMER WINS EASY VICTORY OVER KIMBALL UNION

Kimball Union fell a prey to the Governor Dummer hoopsters when they were beaten 36 to 23 on January 18 in the Lang Gymnasium.

WINTER TRACK TEAM LOSES

The Kimball Union winter track team defeated the Governors 39 to 11 at Meriden, New Hampshire, on Saturday, February 1.

BYFIELD GHOSTS

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Post Road heading northward, and it is said they eventually reached Canada, where they were married and lived for the rest of their lives.

In the years following their death several people reported having seen the ghost of the two riding upon a spectral horse down the hill and past Degen House. The horse was galloping at full speed with the boy bending low over his neck. The girl sat behind him with her hands clasped tightly about his waist. Her cloak streamed out behind, and now and again she would turn her head apprehensively as if fearful of pursuers. As they rushed past, not a sound was heard, and the horse's hoofs seemed to skim the ground, for not a single imprint was left behind.

There are two ghosts connected exclusively with the Mansion House, one, of course, being that of Governor Dummer himself, who spent some of the happiest days of his life here on his country estate. It is one of these happy occasions that brings the spirit of the Governor back to his home. In 1715 at the housewarming of the newly built mansion, the Governor fulfilled one of his cherished ambitions when he rode his favorite white charger through the enormous front door and up the broad staircase to the second floor before the eyes of his admiring guests.

Reliable reports state that to this very day when the month of August has two full moons, on the night of the first full moon, Governor

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REFEREE DROPS THE PUCK TO INAUGURATE THE SEASON IN THE OPENING HOME
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BYFIELD GHOSTS

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Dummer repeats the spectacular ride. The ghostly appearance occurs sometime between twelve midnight and five o'clock in the morning. The Governor, attired in a brilliant uniform, sits proudly upon his beautiful horse, whose richly ornamented trappings glow with a luminosity of their own, filling the entrance hall with a warm, subdued light.

The old kitchen was for many years haunted by the smiling ghost of a small child. The child was dressed in white and would appear always in the same doorway. It would open the door just a crack and then would slyly peep around the corner, disappearing as suddenly as it had come into view.

A number of years ago while construction work was being done in the basement of the Mansion House, hidden away behind the masonry was found a mouldering box containing the bones of a small child. The bones were taken out and given a proper burial, and since that day the ghost has never again appeared. It was thought that the spirit of the child was unable to rest due to improper burial and that once the condition was remedied, the ghost was no longer forced to show itself.

In recent years, unfortunately, the visitations from the past have become less frequent.

Is it because we have closed our minds and our eyes by skepticism that we are forbidden the pleasure of making the acquaintance of these figures. Let us hope not, for if our traditional ghosts and apparitions refuse to come back to us, one of our closest and most intimate links with the past is forever severed

DEERFIELD DEFEATS GOVERNORS TWICE IN WINTER SPORT GAMES

Both the hockey and basketball teams dropped their encounters with Deerfield in winter sports. On January 22 the Governors' sextet lost 4 to 2 in a wide open game.

Also at Deerfield on January 25 the basketball team was defeated by a late Deerfield surge, 36 to 17.

SCORE IN LAST SIX SECONDS GIVES GOVERNORS HOCKEY LOSS

Despite a desperate attempt to snap the current losing streak the Governors' hockey team was administered their fifth straight setback by Thayer 2 to 1 on the Parsons Rink, January 29. The battle was packed with thrills during the three regular periods and the overtime. The winning goal was scored with but six seconds remaining.

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